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Docket No. JP920020138US1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Seita Horikoshi et al)
Serial No.: 10/606,696)
Filed: 06/26/2003) Group Art
For: **SHOCK ABSORBING CONNECTOR**) Unit: 2833
Examiner: Truc T. T. Nguyen)

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner
for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 13, 2005, Applicants respectfully request the reconsideration of the present application in view of the following amendments and remarks.